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SUBJECT: IRAN URGES UN ACTION ON MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

1. NEW MIDDLE EAST FIGHTING IS RECEIVING VERY HEAVY COVERAGE IN IRANIAN PRESS. STATEMENT BY FOREIGN MINISTER ABBAS KHALATBARI IN OCTOBER 8 NEWSPAPERS SAYS THAT IRAN EXPECTS UNITED NATIONS AND ALL PEACE LOVING COUNTRIES TO STOP THE "TRAGIC BLOODSHED" IN MIDDLE EAST. KHALATBARI REITERATED IRAN'S STAND THAT GOI WOULD CONTINUE TO BACK LEGITIMATE DEMANDS BY EGYPT, SYRIA AND JORDAN FOR RETURN OF THEIR TERRITORIES SEIZED BY ISRAEL.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER ATTRIBUTED NEW FLARE-UP TO FAILURE OF UN TO IMPLEMENT ITS OWN RESOLUTIONS AND REITERATED THAT ONLY WAY SETTLE ARAB-ISRAEL PROBLEM IS THROUGH APPLICATION OF ALL PROVISIONS OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242. KHALATBARI CALLED UPON UN TO SEE TO IT THAT ISRAEL HANDED BACK TO LEGITIMATE OWNERS TERRITORIES IT HAD OCCUPIED IN 1967. MFA SPOKESMAN TOLD PRESS IRAN FOLLOWING MIDDLE EAST DEVELOPMENTS WITH "ACUTE" INTEREST AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE EGYPTIAN, SYRIAN AND JORDANIAN AUTHORI-

TIES.

3. SEMI-OFFICIAL KAYHAN FOR OCTOBER 8 CARRIES EDITORIAL ENTITLED "ISRAEL HAS NO CAUSE". THIS ARGUES THAT WAR HAS EXISTED SINCE ISRAELI INVASION OF THREE ARAB STATES IN 1967 AND CHARGES THAT UN'S FAILURE TO ENFORCE ITS RESOLUTIONS SHOWS THAT WORLD ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN REDUCED TO IMPOTENCE ON MAJOR ISSUES. EDITORIAL URGES IRAN TO CONTINUE TO OPPOSE RESOLUTELY ISRAELI POLICY OF ANNEXATION WITH ALL DIPLOMATIC AND POLITICAL MEANS AT ITS DISPOSAL. POSSIBILITY THAT ARABS MIGHT BE BEATEN AGAIN IS MENTIONED BUT THEY WOULD HAVE PROVEN THAT THEY COULD MAKE ISRAEL PAY HEAVIER COSTS. EDITORIAL CONCLUDES THAT WHAT ISRAEL IS FIGHTING FOR IS NEITHER JUST NOR LEGITIMATE.

4. COMMENT: LATEST MIDDLE EASTERN WAR POSES SENSITIVE PROBLEM FOR IRAN. WHILE IT MAINTAINS FRIENDLY DE-FACTO RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, WHICH IT VALUES, IRAN HAS TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO OFFEND ARABS BOTH FOR REASONS OF EXTERNAL POLITICS AND INTERNAL CONSERVATIVE RELIGIOUS OPINION WHICH TENDS TO SYMPATHIZE WITH MOSLEM ARABS. AT PRESENT MOMENT GOI IS ADOPTING CAUTIOUS STANCE OF GIVING STRONG LIP SERVICE TO EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN "LEGITIMATE INTERESTS" AND ADVOCATING IMMEDIATE ACTION BY U.N. HELMS

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